

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated July 18, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 18, 2006. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 1-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as claiming the same subject matter as that of claims 1-44 of prior U.S. Patent No. 6,680,164. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-44 do not claim the same subject matter as U.S. Patent No. 6,680,164. Claims corresponding to claims 1-44 were previously presented and amended during the prosecution of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/006,563 which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,680,164. The issued claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,680,164 were amended to distinguish supplying water and hydrogen gas from other sources of hydrogen and water such as supplying hydrogen peroxide and fluorocarbons, and the Examiner agreed during the prosecution of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/006,563 that the issued claims were patentably different from the originally filed claims now pending. As a result, claims 1-44 of the present application do not claim the same subject matter as U.S. Patent No. 6,680,164.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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